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## MINUTES TOWN OF DARIEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN SPECIAL MEETING

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First Selectman David Campbell called the Special Meeting of the Board of Selectmen to order at 1:05 p.m. In attendance were Selectmen Nielsen, Stevenson and Sullivan. Selectman Bayne was absent. Also in attendance were Architect Fritz Morris from Beinfield Architecture and Administrative Officer Karl Kilduff. The audience included members of the Board of Finance and Representative Town Meeting.

First Selectman Campbell referred to Mr. Morris before starting a tour of the Board of Education Central Office. Mr. Morris noted that it may be difficult to visualize changes with the existing masonry walls in place. He added that these walls were not structural. The building has a steel structure with a steel and concrete deck. In his opinion, Mr. Morris noted that the interior could come down. He stated that the building envelope was good with a long life span ahead and with the interior down it will increase use of space for the future.

A tour of the Board of Education Central Office and storage area was conducted for the Board and audience where Mr. Morris described the possible changed and program elements in the building based on schematic drawings submitted previously to the Board of Selectmen.

At the conclusion of the tour, the Board returned to Room 119 to pose questions to Mr. Morris about the schematic plans.

The first question raised referred to the square footage of the existing senior center. The answer was between 17,000-18,000 sq. ft. This led to a lengthy discussion regarding the existing space of the senior center and the target population to be served.

Mr. Morris was questioned on the size information included in his report which compared the program space and circulation to the total space of the Board of Education area. Mr. Morris stated that he would need to research it further and then added that some of the difference comes from unaccounted for spaces and a difference between stated program size need and the dimensions of actual space.

The storage space used by other groups was questioned. Mr. Campbell stated that it relocation would be determined in the future.

It was asked where the Board of Education shop would be relocated. The response was that it would go to the Board of Education space at the garage on Ledge Road. It was also noted that some of the supply storage would move to other schools.

A final comment was offered up questioning how the need for additional space was determined. It was felt that this will have to be better described for the RTM.

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Selectwoman Sullivan moved, seconded by Selectwoman Stevenson, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 2:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Karl F. Kilduff Administrative Officer